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For: METHOD FOR SURFACE)
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ANSWER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit the following Amendment in response to the Examiner's
Answer to Appellants' Brief. Please amend Claims 1 and 17 as follows.

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1. (Twice Amended) A method for treating the surface of an aluminum alloy high-temperature processed article, comprising heating an aluminum alloy containing Mg at a high temperature of 200° or above, etching the surface by a single step process of exposing the surface to [with] an aqueous solution containing a chelating agent wherein the aqueous solution consists of a solution having a pH of 7 or higher, and then carrying out hydration oxidation treatment.
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